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Subj: STAFF NONCOMMISSIONED OFFICER MERITORIOUS PROMOTION BOARD

FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2004

Ref: (a) ForO 1400.2

1. <u>Purpose</u>. To announce the convening of the III Marine Expeditionary Force (MEF) Staff Noncommissioned Officer (SNCO) Meritorious Promotion Board. This board will select "exceptionally qualified" Marines for promotion to Staff Sergeant and Gunnery Sergeant.

2. <u>Background</u>. This bulletin provides information for planning purposes regarding time-lines, composition, and methodology of the upcoming board. The reference provides specific guidance concerning the SNCO Meritorious Promotion Board.

3. Information

- a. Each III MEF Major Subordinate Command (MSC), III MEF Headquarters Group (MHG), and 31st Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU) are eligible to submit two nominations for meritorious promotion to Staff Sergeant and one nomination for meritorious promotion to Gunnery Sergeant.
- b. The III MEF Selection Board will consist of sixteen members. A Colonel will serve as the President of the board. Each MSC, III MHG, and 31st MEU will provide one Field Grade Officer, one Sergeant Major, and one Master Gunnery Sergeant as members of the selection board.
- c. The board will convene at 0900 on 22 January 2004. The board will be held at the SNCO club, building 4334, Camp Courtney.

4. Action

- a. Submit nomination packages with all required documentation to the Commanding General, III MEF (Adj) not later than close of business, 16 January 2004. Submit nominations utilizing the format contained in enclosure (1) of the reference.
- b. Submit names of selection board members to the Commanding General, III MEF (Adj) not later than close of business, 16 January 2004.
- c. The III MEF AC/S G-1 will provide necessary administrative support/personnel to the President of the III MEF SNCO Meritorious Promotion Board, as required.

G. C. O'NEILL Chief of Staff

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